C O N C O R D I A   U N I V E R S I T Y

Faculty of Engineering

Minutes of Meeting No. 80-2

of the

Engineering Faculty Council

held

Friday, 21 March 1980

Present: M.N.S. Swamy (Chairman); Professors Antoniou, Fazio, Guy, Ha, Habashi, Hanna, Krakow, Lindsay, Nasser, Osman, Troitsky, Zielinski; Z. Jirkowsky (Library representative); R. Dugal (Student representative); Prof. J.C. Giguere (Secretary)

Absent with apology: Professors Bhattacharyya, Russell, Sankar, Xistris

Motion 1. Council unanimously adopted a motion to approve the published agenda with
80-2-1 the addition of the following items:

        7.1 Attendance by-law
        7.2 Grading system

Motion 2. Council unanimously adopted a motion to approve the minutes of meeting No.
80-2-2 80-1 with the note that Prof. Hanna was absent with apology.

3. Activities of members of the Faculty

Anthony Kovic, an undergraduate student, and Yvon Proteau, a graduate student in the CBS, received a certificate of merit and accompanying award from ASHRAE. A letter will be sent on behalf of Council.

The CBS team of Robert White, Paul Fazio, Guillaume Savard and Rafael Fernandez, along with architect Brian Mee, received the Low Energy Building Design Award of "Honourable Mention" and $3,500 for its LEBDA II submission. A letter will be sent on behalf of Council.

The Ministère des Travaux Publics et de l'Approvisionnement has awarded $35,000 to CBS for a project entitled "Etude sur la conception d'un réservoir-type d'emmagasinement d'énergie".

Projects by Professors Marsh and Shapiro were featured in Radio Canada news programmes.

The CBS has been accepted by the International Conference of Building Officials as testing agency for Atlas Turner, Inc.

The paper submitted by Mr. Kofman, a student in Civil Engineering, won the 1980 OIKOS competition. A letter will be sent on behalf of Council.

4. Mature entry to undergraduate programme and certificates

   Prof. Giguere drew Council's attention to Doc. 80-2-2, EUSC's recommendations on the UCCC proposals (Doc. 80-2-1).

Motion
80-2-3
Council unanimously adopted a motion to endorse and forward to UCCC the recommendations contained in Doc. 80-2-2.

5. NSERC Summer Assistantships Programme

   Chairman informed Council that the selection of candidates for these awards would be carried out by EUSC on the basis of merit. In response to questions it was noted that these would be awarded on a Faculty rather than a departmental basis but that some "balancing" among departments would be attempted when there were candidates of nearly equal strength. The question of making such awards to first year students would also be considered.

6. Concordia Summer Engineering Assistantships (CSEA)

   It was noted that some misinformation about this programme seemed to be circulating. The Chairman will contact Prof. Krantzberg. It was noted that some applicants would be willing to work for free. If this were the case, it was asked how these individuals would be covered with respect to accident insurance. The Chairman will look into this as well.

7. Subcommittee on Mathematics

   Prof. Giguere informed Council that EUSC had established a subcommittee on Mathematics with himself as Chairman, and representation from students and from all departments in the Faculty as well as the Department of Mathematics.

8. Attendance

   It was noted that Council often had difficulty in obtaining a quorum for its meetings. Prof. Giguere will note absence without apology for the current academic year. In the case of faculty members, their chairman/director will be notified.

9. Grading systems

   Chairman informed Council that this item may shortly be surfacing at Senate. Arts and Science were moving to a letter grade reporting. Further, Commerce and Administration had placed a request to institute a minimum passing average for its students.

Motion
80-2-4
Council unanimously adopted a motion empowering its Chairman to ask Senate to seek the opinion of Council before ruling on any major change to the grading system.

Motion 10. Council unanimously adopted a motion to adjourn.
80-2-5